



**Children At Play (CAP)** is an out of school program, licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care, providing quality care for your elementary school child in a safe, secure and supportive environment.

Children At Play takes place at Meadow Brook School, under the auspices of the Springfield Jewish Community Center. The school cafeteria is the home base for CAP. We utilize the playgrounds, fields, gym, and library whenever possible.

## After and Before School Program (September-June)

For families that need care prior to the beginning of the school day, CAP will provide care beginning at 7:00 a.m. Busing to/from Mountain View and Mapleshade is available through the East Longmeadow Public Schools Transportation Department. Parents needing this transportation must register ahead of time. Please contact the ELPS transportation department for more information. The CAP program is subject to a minimum enrollment.

The after school program begins immediately following the end of school with a nutritious snack. For the first hour, with supervision, the children are given a chance to unwind. Outside play, games, books, homework area and a daily “To Do” activity will be available at this time.

Two structured activities follow, including crafts, nature, music, sports, games, special guests, movies, outdoor games, etc. Free time to relax or to do homework is always an option under the watchful eye of our caring professional staff.

Children may be picked up any time, up to 6:00 p.m. Students may be registered for one to five days per week.

## Children At Play Out of School Rates September 2009 - June 2010

Registration\* for the Out of School Program is for a full school year, from September through June. CAP operates on a prorated fee schedule according to the length of day and number of days per week required. Limited financial assistance is available for those families who may need fee adjustments. Application may be made at the time of registration to the JCC’s Executive Director.

Three schedules are offered to accommodate parents’ varied work schedules: One set of rates includes morning and afternoon care (7-9 am & 3-6 pm), while a second set of rates includes after school hours only (until 6:00 pm.). Morning only care is also available. When school dismisses early, CAP will begin as soon as the school day ends. All half days are included in the following schedules if the half day is one of your child’s regular days of attendance. If the half day is not one of your child’s regularly scheduled days, there is an additional \$30 fee.

Additional fees will be charged for enrollment in the JCC child care program during school vacation days, holidays, snow days and for Kindergarten Extended Care. Please ask for a Kids Space brochure for more details.

### Monthly Rates

All payments must be made on a payment plan. Monthly payments can be made on a credit/debit card or through a checking account.

Day(s) per Week	a.m./p.m.	p.m. only	a.m. only
5	\$320	\$235	\$130
4	\$290	\$205	\$120
3	\$235	\$160	\$105
2	\$180	\$120	\$ 85
1	\$110	\$ 65	\$ 60

\*A \$35 non refundable registration fee is required per family at the time of registration. Monthly fees will be deducted on the 15th of each month for the following month.

First payment is due August 15 for September.

## About Our JCC:

The Springfield Jewish Community Center is a non-profit, multi-service agency funded in part by the United Way of the Pioneer Valley and Jewish Federation of Western Massachusetts. The JCC was established to provide for the social, cultural, educational and recreational needs of the Jewish and general community. Programs strengthen family bonds and promote the welfare of the family unit by the participation of all family members. The Center seeks to involve members of all ages in professionally developed activities which enhance the understanding of the family relationship, reflect Jewish purposes and provide a welcoming environment. All members of the Greater Springfield community, as well as the entire Pioneer Valley, are welcome to join the Center and participate in its programs. The JCC has provided ChildCare services to the community for more than 40 years and afterschool care for more than 25 years through our Kids Space and Children At Play programs.

## Drop In Program:

Drop in service is available at any CAP program as long as space is available. Any child using Drop-In services must have all of their registration forms on file. The Jewish Community Center requires a minimum of 24 hours notice, together with payment, before any child can be included in the program. Drop in fees are available on a daily basis, morning and/or afternoon. (\$15, am/\$20, pm)

## Child Care During School Vacations, Holidays, & Snow Days:

During vacation days, holidays, snow days and teacher work days, the JCC will offer care at its site in Springfield (corner of Dickinson St. & Converse St. in Longmeadow) from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Many of these days will include new and exciting field trips and special events. Swimming and recreational activities are included. Registration is first come, first served, on a per day basis. Registration forms are available one month before each vacation day.

The JCC also offers a variety of **summer camp programs** to provide continuous care for those who require it all year long. Morning and Afternoon Kindergarten Extended Care programming is available at the JCC with transportation to and from Meadow Brook School.

## Questions?

All inquiries regarding CAP should be directed to Becca Coolong, Elementary Director at the Springfield JCC, 739-4715 or rcoolong@springfieldjcc.org.

Dear Parents,

Children at Play (CAP) is the JCC after school child care program for children in grades K-5 in East Longmeadow. Staffed by the Springfield JCC, this program takes place at Meadow Brook School. It gives your child(ren) the opportunity to be with peers in a relaxed, nurturing, and fun atmosphere. You can rest assured your child is in a safe, consistent environment.

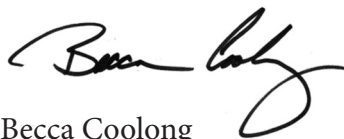
Our programs provide continuous group supervision including a snack and a choice of 2-3 structured activities per day. Activities vary from crafts, to recreational indoor/outdoor games, to nature, movies, library time and music. Free time to relax or to do homework is always an option under the watchful eye of our professional and caring staff.

Kids Space at the Springfield JCC is available to your child during school conference days, early dismissal days, school holidays and snow days. We feature special events and field trips. We also offers School Vacation Programs.

We are proud of our 110 years of service to the community and the continuity of our programming.

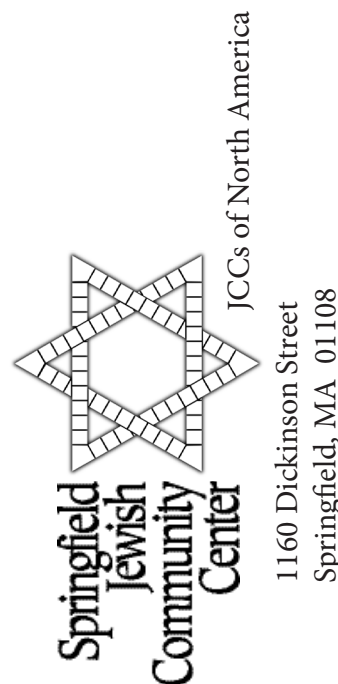
I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss areas in which your child may benefit from our program. Please note, special needs accommodations are available within our program.

I look forward to speaking with you soon!



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